Next Generations Sequencing in Clinical Microbiology and Public Health Laboratories: Opportunities and Challenges

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Clinical microbiology and public health laboratories are beginning to utilize next-generation sequencing (NGS) for a range of applications, including whole genome sequencing, microbiome analysis/ metagenomics, transcriptome profiling, infectious disease diagnosis, pathogen discovery, and public health surveillance. This intermediate level webinar will review NGS technologies, applications, and recent success stories. The challenges associated with implementation of NGS in the clinical and public health laboratory will also be discussed, including considerations for NGS test validation, quality control procedures, proficiency testing, and reference materials.

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Objectives:

At the conclusion of this program, the participant will be able to:

- Describe current applications of next-generation sequencing in clinical microbiology and public health laboratories.
- 2. Cite recent success stories that highlight how nextgeneration sequencing has advanced the field of clinical microbiology and public health.
- State the challenges of implementing next-generation sequencing in clinical microbiology and public health laboratories.

Target Audience:

This webinar is of interest to public health laboratorians.

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